A Ban on Pictures of Nixon Protested by News Media

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Roderick W. Beaton, president of United Press International, protested to President Nixon yesterday a White House decision not to allow the taking of still photographs before, during, or after the President's nationwide address last night on the Watergate situation.

Other protests were filed by The New York Daily News and The Associated Press.

Mr. Beaton wired a formal protest both to the President and to Ronald L. Ziegler, the White House press secretary.

In his telegram to the President, Mr. Beaton said, "The national interest demands that this broadcast be given the broadcast possible news coverage. This can only be accomplished by making you available to all photographic media.